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Human monophenotypic closed cell lines of megakaryocytic lineage are wistablished in vitro through use of adherent stromal dells in long term human bone marrow culture. Long term bone marrow cultures are used for initial adaptation of the cells to culture conditions. Once adapted, cells of the human in witro cell lines are weaked from the stromal layer until they proliferate in the complete absence of any feeder layer. Seed cells for establishment of numan in vitro cell lines were derived from a human solid tumor designated as ATCC CRL 9139 menograft. Cells of one cloned in vitro cell line designated as CHRF-288-11 exhibits a karyotype and markers characteristic of megakaryodytes and platelets. Cells of the CHE.F-286-11 cell line express platelet peroxidate, platelet factor IV, platelet Ca.sup.++ -ATPase, gpIIbIIIa, factor VIII, and MY7, MY9 and HLA-Dr antigens. CHRF-2:8-11 cell line exhibits a constant karyotype .50, XY). CHRF-28:-11 cell line is deposited under the Budapest Treaty with American Type Culture Collection, 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, Md. 20852, under acce